

A Day's Tour South of LOUISVILLE



It is possible on a 120-mile round trip south of Louisville for the tourist to sample the charm and romance of old Kentucky. For a day's tour to the south touches, among other spots, Bardstown, the picturesque old city which inspired Stephen Collins Foster to compose his immortal "My Old Kentucky Home"; Hodgenville, the birthplace and childhood home of Abraham Lincoln; Elizabethtown, the last residence of Gen. George A. Custer before he was sent west to keep his date with destiny at the Little Big Horn; and Fort Knox, the home of U. S. Army Armor.

The starting point: Louisville Chamber of Commerce building, Third and Liberty Streets.

Drive south on Third Street to Broadway, turn left and continue east to Bardstown Road (U. S. 31-E, U. S. 150). Forty miles south is Bardstown.

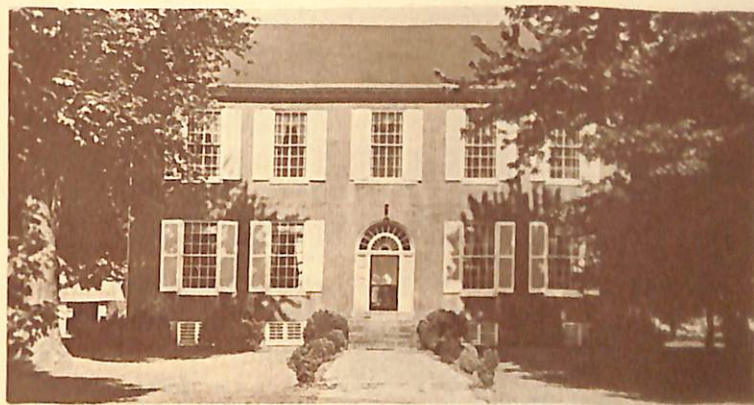
Bardstown was incorporated by the Virginia Legislature in 1788, four years before Kentucky became a state. The town not only is one of the oldest but also one of the most interesting in the state. Its tree-fringed streets are lined by stately old Georgian Colonial and Greek Revival style mansions.

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Main points of interest, all marked and easily found, include these:



My Old Kentucky Home State Park—Federal Hill is the mansion where Foster visited relatives and about which his most famous song was written. It was started in 1795, completed some 10 years later. The mansion is open to the public.



Wickland — Three Governors of the state were born in this beautiful old home which is open to the public.

John Fitch Grave — On Main Street, opposite the courthouse, is a marker honoring John Fitch, who is credited with being the inventor of the steamboat.